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IN RE APPLICATION OF :

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FOR: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR REMOVING LAYERS IN SOME AREAS

OF GLASS PLATES

ELECTION

In response to the Election Requirement dated October 20, 2008, Applicants elect claims A (claim 67 and its dependent claims) for examination on the merits in the present application.

The election requirement is respectfully traversed for at least two reasons.

First, the "species" have only been identified with respect to certain claims, and not different embodiments. This is never proper. MPEP § 806.04(e).

Second, an action on the merits of Claims 67 and 68 has previously issued since Claim 67 is based on cancelled dependent Claim 38 and Claim 68 is based on cancelled dependent Claim 42.

Respectfully submitted,

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